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Mr. Neame asserts that a large influx of cheap coloured labour is ruinous to the white workman. Free Asiatic immigration must inevitably mean a low standard of living for the white working classes—if there is any chance of their living at all. In South Africa the danger of Asiatic immigration is peculiarly great, for it means not only decreased openings for white men but also another obstacle placed in the way of the advancement of the native population. The author agrees with Sir Harry Parkes, who wrote: “It is our duty to preserve the type of the British nation, and we ought not, for any consideration whatever, to admit any element that would detract from, or in any appreciable degree lower, that admirable type of nationality.”

Reise in das Moderne Mexico. *Von Mietze Diener.* 112 pp., 30 Illustrations from Photographs and Map. A. Hartleben, Vienna, 1908. (Price, M. 2.)

The author attended the Tenth International Geological Congress in Mexico, and participated in both the northern and southern excursions which were a part of the programme of entertainment and study. Her aim in this little book is to give an idea of the astonishing material development of the republic in recent years and its present condition. The book is readable and informing and the pictures are original.

Paraguay. Das Land der Guaranis. *Von Dr. Wilhelm Vallentin.* viii and 323 pp., and 38 Illustrations from Photographs. Hermann Paetel, Berlin, 1907. (Price, M. 6.)

A careful and excellent account of Paraguay written in a popular vein, but still full of solid information about all aspects of the republic. The author is a German scholar and an authority on economic geography. He says that the comparatively temperate climate and the great natural riches of the country fit it for a high stage of development. It offers excellent opportunities for the immigration of farmers. The Guarani Indians and the white and Guarani half-breeds, who form the majority of the population, have proved their desire and capacity for progress. The country was completely ruined by the despot Lopez and the war with Brazil and Argentina, in which he involved Paraguay between 1865 and 1870, but it has fully recovered and is rapidly growing in population, commerce, and social development. The illustrations from photographs are an instructive feature.

Africa. Vol. 1. North Africa. *By A. H. Keane.* (Stanford's Compendium of Geography and Travel (new issue).) Second edition, revised. xx and 640 pp., 9 Maps, 77 Illustrations, and Index. Edward Stanford, London, 1907. (Price, 15s.)

It is twelve years since the first issue of this work appeared. The geographical conquest of Africa in that time has made such rapid progress that the era of large discovery is now at an end. The present edition gives full details of all new discoveries, as well as summaries of the many political changes in the past few years. The volume is, therefore, the fullest account of North Africa brought down to date, and the fact that Dr. A. H. Keane wrote the book has insured a high degree of accuracy.

Eine Deutsche Gesandtschaft in Abessinien. *Von Felix Rosen.* xii and 496 pp., 160 Illustrations and Map. Veit & Co., Leipzig, 1907. (Price, 10 M.)

This is one of the handsomest books on Abyssinia. It describes the visit in 1905 of the German Embassy to Emperor Menelik II. when a treaty of friendship and